Maintenance of reservation requisition

†3786. SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR:
SHRI NAND KISHORE YADAV:
SHRIMATI KUSUM RAI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the details of reservation requisitions are kept in divisional and zonal offices by the Railways for six months;

(b) if so, whether any order was issued by the earlier Government in this regard;

(c) if so, when and under which order; and

(d) the total number of reservation requisitions received by different divisions and zones from 3 July, 2009 to 6 August, 2009 and the number of reservations confirmed against those reservation requisitions alongwith the details thereof zone-wise, division-wise and date-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) to (c) As per instructions issued *vide* letter No.94/TG-1/20/P/8 dated 02.08.1994, the period of preservation of all records pertaining to reservation is six months, except in those cases where some action is under process.

(d) Because of the large number of reservation requisitions received and the voluminous work involved, details of such data are not compiled.

Kanpur-Mathura line not being used as alternative route

3787. SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that Kanpur-Mathura line *via* Farrukhabad was developed as an alternative route, however, it is not being used as alternative route;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government is also aware that there is paucity of trains between Kanpur and Delhi *via* Farrukhabad;

(d) if so, whether Government would introduce AC compartments on this route; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) and (b) Kanpur-Mathura *via* Farrukhabad line has been planned to be developed as an alternative route. Full benefit will accrue after interlinking at Mathura Junction, which is planned with Mathura-Achnera gauge conversion.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) Kanpur and Delhi *via* Farrukhabad is linked by one pair of express train.

(d) and (e) Attachment of Air – Conditioned Coach has not been found feasible at present.

Renewal of rail track between Shikohabad and Farrukhabad

3788. SHRI MOHAMMED ADEEB:
SHRI SABIR ALI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the latest position with regard to the renovation and renewal of the railway track between Shikohabad and Farrukhabad; and

(b) the steps being taken to expedite the work and complete it early?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) Track Renewal Works for entire 105.69 kms. in Shikohabad-Farrukhabad section have been sanctioned and most of the works have been completed.

(b) All efforts are being made to complete the remaining work shortly.

Laying of new railway lines in Vidarbha and North Eastern States

3789. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) that as funding of rail-link with Kashmir valley is being done from the Consolidated Fund of India, whether similar consideration would also be shown to laying new railway lines in tribal and backward regions of Vidarbha, or inhospitable terrain in remote North-Eastern States;

(b) if so, the nature of considerations kept in view for laying of such new railway lines; and

(c) by when the new railway line projects approved in 2008-09 railway budget would be completed and the priority fixed project-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) and (b) The projects undertaken for the development of Jammu and Kashmir and North East Region resulting in greater integration with the rest of the country have been categorized as 'National Projects' having different funding pattern.

(c) The completion of projects would depend upon availability of resources and allied factors.

Construction of new railway line between Berhampur and Bolangir

3790. SHRIMATI RENUBALA PRADHAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for construction of a new railway line from Berhampur to Bolangir *via* Phulabani and Gopalpur to Daspalla *via* Aska and Bhanjanagar in Orissa;